

I want to take this opportunity to thank all the people who give of themselves by participating in the Bucket Brigade. I am proud of them, and am grateful for their kindness, compassion, and concern that they have shown, and will continue to show to those in need.

HONORING REVEREND MAURICE ROBERTS

HON. ASA HUTCHINSON

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Reverend Maurice Roberts for being honored as the National Veterans Administration's Chaplain of the Month for May 2000.

Reverend Roberts is currently the Chief of Chaplain Service at the VA Medical Center in Fayetteville, Arkansas, and is the first chaplain at that center to be selected for this honor. He has given his life in service to his country, first with over twenty years as a Navy chaplain, and then as a VA chaplain to retired servicemen and women. In addition to his dedicated service, his faith has truly been an example to thousands of sailors and veterans, and his sacrificial nature has comforted and blessed each life he has touched.

Mr. Speaker, on behalf of the citizens of Arkansas, I wish to congratulate Reverend Roberts on this honor and thank him for his life of faith and service to our great nation.

TRIBUTE TO LYNN McDUGAL

HON. DUNCAN HUNTER

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. HUNTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor and thank one of my constituents, Mr. Lynn McDougal, for his many year of dedicated service to the people of San Diego East County. Lynn will shortly be retiring after 32 years as the City Attorney of the City of El Cajon. He has also represented many other government agencies including the cities of Carlsbad, Coronado, Del Mar, El Centro, Imperial Beach, Poway, Alpine Union School District, San Marcos Unified School District and the El Cajon Redevelopment Agency.

Lynn McDougal came from modest beginnings in Atwood, Kansas. His father was a bowling alley owner and his mother a teacher. After attending the University of Kansas on a Naval Scholarship, McDougal spent three years of active duty, followed by 14 years in the Naval Reserve, attaining the rank of Lt. Commander. At his father's suggestion, he enrolled in law school at the University of Colorado, graduating in 1959. A few years later, he moved west and settled in El Cajon.

Lynn is a member of the State Bar of California, the Colorado Bar Association and the San Diego County Bar Association. He is admitted to practice before the U.S. Supreme Court. He is the Founder and Past President of the San Diego and Imperial County City Attorney's Association. He has served as Second Vice President, First Vice President and the President of the City Attorney's Depart-

ment of the League of California Cities. He is Past President and a member of the Foothills Bar Association.

Lynn has had a distinguished career in the area of law, but perhaps more importantly, he has dedicated his life in service to others in various other ways as well. This was recognized when he received the El Cajon Chamber of Commerce Citizen of the Year Award in 1974. Lynn has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Boys and Girls Club of El Cajon and served as a member of the Board of the Boys and Girls Club Foundation. He exemplified the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self," as the President of the Rotary Club of El Cajon and being a charter member of both the El Cajon Historical Society and the El Cajon Sister City Association. The latter organization works to improve relations between the people and City of El Cajon and several foreign cities.

Through his endeavors, Lynn has had the support of his lovely wife Anne. He has a son, Tim, and a daughter, Kyle, and has five wonderful grandchildren.

It is people like Lynn McDougal, with his commitment to his nation, his family and his community, that makes the United States the great country that it is. I congratulate him and honor him on his retirement as the City Attorney of El Cajon.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. LUIS V. GUTIERREZ

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. GUTIERREZ. Mr. Speaker, last week I was unavoidably absent from this chamber when the following roll call votes were taken, roll call vote 256 and roll call vote 291. I want the record to show that had I been present in this chamber I would have voted "yea" on roll call vote 256 and "no" on roll call vote 291.

RECOGNIZING RECIPIENTS OF THE JEFFERSON COUNTY AFRICAN-AMERICAN HERITAGE AWARDS

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise before you today to recognize five residents of Jefferson County, Illinois who have been named the recipients of the Jefferson County African-American Heritage Awards. The winners are John Kendrick, Rev. James Gordon, Mary Ellen Frutrinsky, Tena Mitchell, and Camille Jones.

These individuals were all selected for their community activism. Their commitment to their community and desire to make a difference make them the very deserving honorees.

It takes people like them to make our communities the best possible. I want to thank them for their dedication to changing, leading, and guiding their community into the future. We are truly indebted to them.

HONORING "WE THE PEOPLE" CONTESTANTS

HON. ASA HUTCHINSON

OF ARKANSAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. HUTCHINSON. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Mountain Home Junior High School and its participants in the "We the People. . .The Citizen and the Constitution" national finals.

I am pleased to recognize the class from Mountain Home Junior High School who represented Arkansas in the national competition. The outstanding young people who participated are: Matthew Brinza, T.C. Burnett, Patrick Carter, Cody Garrison, Meredith Griffin, Kayla Hawthorne, Delia Lee, Megan Matty Zachary Millholland, Stacy Miller, Jennifer Nassimbene, Rebaca Neis, Patty Schwartz, Carrie Toole, and Kris Zibert. The class is coached by Patsy Ramsey.

"We the People. . .The Citizen and the Constitution" is the nation's most extensive program dedicated to educating young people about our Constitution. Over 26 million students participate in the program, administered by the Center for Civic Education. The national finals, which includes representatives from every state, simulates a congressional hearing in which students testify as constitutional experts before a panel of judges.

I had the opportunity to meet with the talented group of students from Mountain Home when they were in Washington, and I came away encouraged by their interest in our Constitution and our government. Each bright student represented the Third District of Arkansas well, and I wish them all the best in their future academic pursuits.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BRIAN P. BILBRAY

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Mr. BILBRAY. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 293 due to airplane delays, I was unable to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. DARLENE HOOLEY

OF OREGON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, June 20, 2000

Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, on Thursday, June 15, I was unavoidably detained and forced to miss several votes.

If present, I would have voted "no" on agreeing to Rep. STEARN's amendment to H.R. 4578 (Vote 282).

If present, I would have voted "yes" on agreeing to Rep. SLAUGHTER's amendment to H.R. 4578 (Vote 283).

If present, I would have voted "yes" on the motion that the Committee rise on H.R. 4578 (Vote 284).

If present, I would have voted "yes" on the quorum call for H.R. 4578 (Vote 285).